

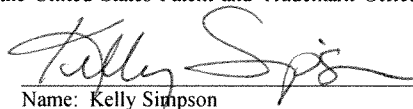
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In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 16, 2008, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5.